MONTANA FISH AND GAME DEPARTMENT

-:- FUR ANIMAL SEASONS -:-

1953-1954 Regulations Adopted August 17, 1953 1953-1954

MINK—FOX—Open season on mink and fox will extend from November 10, 1953 to December 31, 1953.
Exception: There will be no closed season on fox in Sheridan County.

MUSKRAT—Western Montana (As designated on Trapper Map)—Open season on muskrat in western Montana will extend from March 1, 1954 to April 15, 1954.
In addition to the regular open muskrat season in western Montana, the lands lying within the following irrigation districts shall be open to the trapping of muskrats from November 10, 1953 to December 31, 1953: Flathead districts in Lake and Sanders Counties, Fairfield district in Cascade and Teton Counties, and Valier district in Pondera County.

Eastern Montana (As designated on Trapper Map)—Open season for muskrat in eastern Montana will extend from November 1, 1953 to May 1, 1954.

Western and eastern Montana as designated on the Trapper Map are separated by the following line: Proceeding in a southerly direction along the common boundary of Liberty and Hill counties to the Marias River, thence in a southeasterly direction along the Marias River to its confluence with the Missouri River, thence in a southeasterly direction along the Missouri River to the point where the county line between Fergus and Petroleum counties diverges from said river, thence south to the Montana state line along county lines bordered on the west by Fergus, Golden Valley, Stillwater, and Carbon counties; and on the east by Petroleum, Musselshell, Yellowstone, and Big Horn counties, respectively.

MARTEN—OTTER—FISHER—Closed.

TAGGING TRAPS (New Regulation)—It shall be prohibited for any person to use or possess traps in areas frequented by fur animals unless there is securely fastened to the trap chain a metal tag bearing in legible English the name and address of the user.

BEAVER (All Beaver Trapping)

TRANSPORT TAGS:

a. Any and every person trapping beaver on a Land Owners Beaver Permit and/or a General Beaver Season Permit shall tag each beaver taken by affixing a Transport Tag to the pelt (under the upper lip and out through an eye hole) immediately after capture and before removing the intact beaver or skin from the specific location of capture.

b. Transport Tags will be issued with the permit.

c. Beaver and/or beaver skins properly tagged with Transport Tags may be transported only within the State of Montana, and only by the person to whom the tags were issued or in the case of pelts taken under a Land Owner Beaver Permit only by the person to whom the permit was issued or by the person legally authorized to trap said beaver; these said beaver and/or beaver skins may be transported only when in the immediate possession of the said person.

d. Transport tags, and/or beaver skins tagged with Transport Tags are not otherwise transferable.

e. Every and/or any person trapping beaver on another person's Land Owner's Beaver Permit must, in addition to possessing a General Trapper's license, also have in his immediate possession, when engaged in said trapping activities, a properly issued Authorization to Trap Land Owner's Beaver Permit, and must comply with the Transport Tag regulations. This said Authorization can be obtained from the local deputy game warden.

GENERAL BEAVER SEASON:

1. Only persons 12 years or older and in possession of a 1953-54 General Trappers License may apply for beaver trapping. General Trapper's License may be applied for at the time of application for beaver trapping.
2. **Application**—Trappers must submit an application for General Beaver Season Permit to the State Fish and Game Warden at Helena. Applications must be received on or before October 1, 1953 by the State Fish and Game Warden. All applications received after 9:00 A. M., October 2, 1953 will not be accepted. Application forms can be obtained from any deputy game warden or from the Helena office.
3. **Areas**—Beaver Trapping Areas are as described on the Trapper Maps.
4. Applicants may choose any **one** area described on the Trapper Maps.
5. **Limit**—Each Beaver Trapping Area has a set quota of beaver to be taken, as designated on the Trapper Map. The limit per trapper for each area will be established by dividing the beaver quota evenly among the applicants for each area.
EXAMPLE: The quota in Area 17 is 300 beaver. If there are 30 applicants for Area 17, the limit will be 10 beaver per trapper. For your information and aid in choosing an area, the average number of General Trapper's Licenses sold annually in an Area appears in the column following quotas.
6. **Permits**—Each applicant will receive a General Beaver Season Permit and Record Booklet. Before trapping or obtaining land owner signatures (WRITTEN PERMISSION MUST BE OBTAINED BEFORE TRAPPING ON PRIVATE LAND) each trapper must register with the deputy game warden in the applicant's Beaver Trapping Area, obtain the deputy's signature on the permit, and sign said permit in the deputy game warden's presence.

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7. Deputy game wardens shall have the authority to designate specifie beaver trapping locations, within each Beaver Trapping Area in their district, for each beaver trapper legally registered therein. Trappers must abide by this designation and may not trap beaver in any other locality on the General Beaver Season Permit.

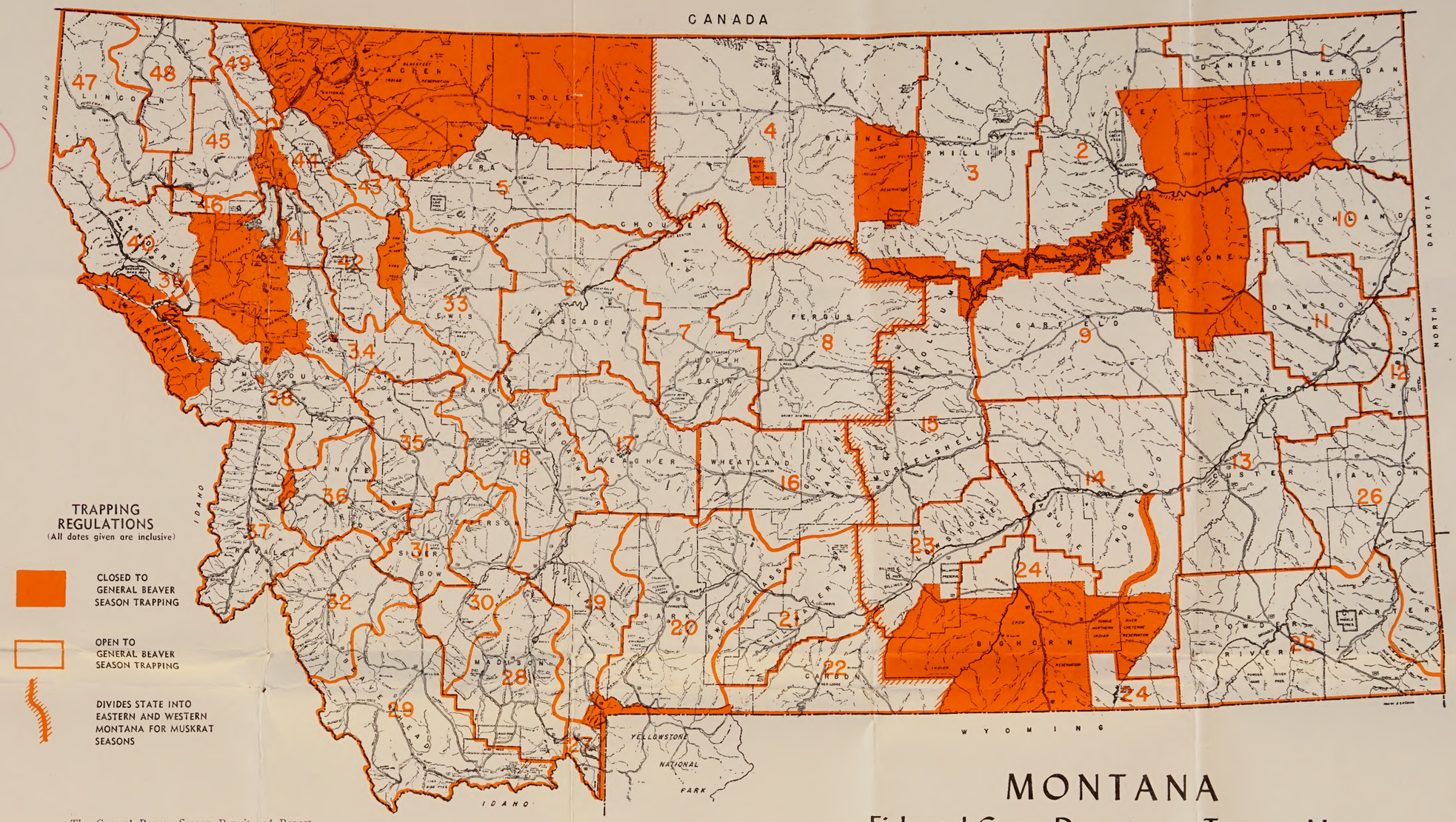
CLOSED TO ALL TRAPPING: State Preserves—Sun River, Gallatin, Skalkaho, Grass Valley and Seeley Lake; and all Federal Preserves. Permits to trap on Federal Preserves may be issued by Federal Refuge Manager.

TRAPPING LICENSES: Issued by the State Fish and Game Warden, Helena, Montana.
General Trapper's License—$10.00—Applicants must give the number of their 1953 Bird and Fish License.
Land Owner's Trapping License—$1.00—Applicants must give description of land owned or leased.

BEAVER TRAPPING ON PRIVATE LANDS: It is unlawful to trap beaver on private land without the permission of the land owner or leasee. Written permission must be obtained in the case of General Beaver Season trapping in accord with fur animal regulations

(The necessary form is provided in the General Beaver Season Permit and Report).

MONTANA FISH AND GAME LAWS prohibit the shooting of muskrats and the taking of beaver by any method other than trapping; in addition it is unlawful for any person to wilfully destroy, open or leave open, or partially destroy the house of a muskrat or beaver.



MONTANA

Fish and Game Department Trapper Map

1953-54 General Beaver Season

ONLY ONE AREA MAY BE CHOSEN

Area No.	Quota	Ave. No. of Trappers	Season Dates	Warden for Area	Warden's Address
1	500	34	Nov. 1 to April 30	K. Burke	Plentywood, Montana
2	850	13	Nov. 1 to April 30	P. F. Quiring	Fort Peck, Montana
3	1000	14	Nov. 1 to April 30	H. C. Friede	Malta, Montana
4	2000	17	Nov. 1 to April 30	O. Kebschull	Havre, Montana
5	150	16	March 1 to April 30	R. L. Somers	Conrad, Montana
6	500	26	March 1 to April 30	T. R. Hay	Great Falls, Montana
7	500	11	March 1 to April 30	C. A. Loberg	Stanford, Montana
8	700	30	March 1 to April 30	W. Vangsness	Lewistown, Montana
9	100	0	Nov. 1 to April 30	A. S. Rogers	Jordan, Montana
10	450	12	Nov. 1 to April 30	H. Gartside	Sidney, Montana
11	250	2	Nov. 1 to April 30	J. R. Cook	Glendive, Montana
12	100	1	Nov. 1 to April 30	J. R. Cook	Glendive, Montana
13	850	4	Nov. 1 to April 30	J. B. Nicolay	Miles City, Montana
14	1650	9	Nov. 1 to April 30	W. S. Maloit	Forsyth, Montana
15	1000	5	Nov. 1 to April 30	R. Shields	Roundup, Montana
16	400	16	March 1 to April 30	G. O. Johnson	Harlowton, Montana
17	300	30	March 1 to April 30	K. O. Fallang	White Sulphur Springs
18	900	26	March 1 to April 30	W. Fitzwater	Helena, Montana
19	180	26	March 1 to April 30	L. C. Clark	Bozeman, Montana
20	675	49	March 1 to April 30	J. F. Burke	Livingston, Montana
21	270	15	March 1 to April 30	C. Christensen	Columbus, Montana
22	270	1	March 1 to April 30	V. Waples	Red Lodge, Montana
23	550	37	Nov. 1 to April 30	J. Kohler	Billings, Montana
24	100	9	Nov. 1 to April 30	F. Starina	Hardin, Montana
25	475	3	Nov. 1 to April 30	W. N. Linville	Broadus, Montana
26	350	3	Nov. 1 to April 30	G. Hollibaugh	Baker, Montana
27	40	8	March 1 to April 30	K. Sears	West Yellowstone
28	270	30	March 1 to April 30	I. L. Todd	Ennis, Montana
29	1125	30	March 1 to April 30	O. W. Lewis	Dillon, Montana
30	1260	15	March 1 to April 30	H. E. Preshinger	Whitehall, Montana
31	250	15	March 1 to April 30	J. Larson	Butte, Montana
32	425	18	Nov. 1 to Nov. 31 April 1 to April 30	W. E. Schultz	Wisdom, Montana
33	100	21	March 1 to April 30	P. K. Mihalovich	Augusta, Montana
34	450	20	March 1 to April 30	W. Eckerson	Greenough, Montana
35	400	18	March 1 to April 30	L. B. Barton	Deer Lodge, Montana
36	350	11	March 1 to April 30	S. P. Markle	Anaconda, Montana
37	600	41	March 1 to April 30	C. L. Taylor, Jr.	Hamilton, Montana
38	450	32	March 1 to April 30	C. P. Howard	Missoula, Montana
39	700	7	March 1 to April 30	M. R. Ammerman	Superior, Montana
40	225	10	March 1 to April 30	A. H. Cheney	Thompson Falls
41	200	8	March 1 to April 30	O. J. Nollar	Polson, Montana
42	100	0	Oct. 15 to Dec. 15	L. Deist	Kalispell, Montana
43	100	2	Oct. 15 to Dec. 15	L. Deist	Kalispell, Montana
44	150	16	March 1 to April 30	L. Deist	Kalispell, Montana
45	400	51	March 1 to April 30	E. M. Sager	Kalispell, Montana
46	50	2	March 1 to April 30	O. J. Nollar	Polson, Montana
47	600	20	March 1 to April 30	R. Dupler	Libby, Montana
48	300	15	March 1 to April 30	L. J. Haverlandt	Eureka, Montana
49	150	3	March 1 to April 30	E. M. Sager	Kalispell, Montana

1953-54 GENERAL BEAVER SEASON

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS: All applications must be received on or before October 1, 1953 by the State Fish and Game Warden at Helena, Montana. Application is to be made only on forms made available by the Montana Fish and Game Department, either through the State Fish and Game Warden at Helena or one of his deputies. Only residents of Montana 12 years or older and in possession of a 1953-54 General Trapper's License (space is provided on the application form for application for a General Trapper's License) may apply.

1. That portion of Daniels, Sheridan and Roosevelt Counties lying north and east of the Fort Peck Indian Reservation, shall be open to trapping for 500 beaver by General Beaver Season Permit only, from November 1, 1953 through April 30, 1954.

2. That portion of Valley County except the Fort Peck Indian Reservation and Fort Peck Game Range, shall be open to trapping for 850 beaver by General Beaver Season Permit only, from November 1, 1953 through April 30, 1954.

3. That portion of Phillips County except the Fort Belknap Indian Reservation, Little Rockies Preserve and the Fort Peck Game Range, shall be open to trapping for 1,000 beaver by General Beaver Season Permit only, from November 1, 1953 through April 30, 1954.

4. Those portions of Hill, Blaine and Chouteau Counties lying north of the Marias and Missouri Rivers, except Fort Belknap and Rocky Boy Indian Reservations, shall be open to trapping for 2,000 beaver by General Beaver Season Permit only, from November 1, 1953 through April 30, 1954.

5. Those portions of Glacier, Pondera, Toole, Liberty, Chouteau and Teton Counties lying west of the Missouri River; south of the Marias River, Blackfoot Indian Reservation and Glacier National Park; and bounded on the south by the Teton River upstream to the mouth of Deep Creek, thence to the Continental Divide along the divide separating the main Teton River drainage from the Deep Creek and Sun River drainages, shall be open to trapping for 150 beaver by General Beaver Season Permit only, from March 1, 1954 through April 30, 1954.

6. Cascade County in its entirety and those portions of Teton and Chouteau Counties bounded on the north by the Teton River, the west by U. S. Highway 89 and the Lowry-Fairfield road, and on the east by the Missouri River; and that portion of Lewis and Clark County which includes the Missouri River downstream from the Gates of the Mountains Closure, shall be open to trapping for 500 beaver by General Beaver Season Permit only, from March 1, 1954 through April 30, 1954.

7. Judith Basin County in its entirety and that portion of Chouteau County lying south of the Missouri River, shall be open to trapping for 500 beaver by General Beaver Season Permit only, from March 1, 1953 through April 30, 1954.

8. Fergus County in its entirety, except the Fort Peck Game Range, shall be open to trapping for 700 beaver by General Beaver Season Permit only, from March 1, 1953 to April 30, 1954.

9. Garfield County in its entirety, except the Fort Peck Game Range and the Musselshell River (See Area 15), shall be open to trapping for 100 beaver by General Beaver Season Permit only, from November 1, 1953 through April 30, 1954.

10. Richland County in its entirety and that portion of McCone County east of the Wolf Point-Circle-Glendive Highway, shall be open to trapping for 450 beaver by General Beaver Season Permit only, from November 1, 1953 through April 30, 1954.

11. Dawson County in its entirety shall be open to trapping for 250 beaver by General Beaver Season Permit only, from November 1, 1953 through April 30, 1954.

12. Wibaux County in ite entirety shall be open to trapping for 100 beaver by General Beaver Season Permit only, from November 1, 1953 through April 30, 1954.

13. Prairie County in its entirety, and that portion of Custer County lying west of the Powder River, shall be open to trapping for 850 beaver by General Beaver Season Permit only, from November 1, 1953 through April 30, 1954.

14. Treasure and Rosebud Counties in their entireties, except the Tongue River-Northern Cheyenne Indian Reservation, Rosebud and Musselshell Rivers (See Area 15), shall be open to trapping for 1,650 beaver by General Beaver Season Permit only, from November 1, 1953 through April 30, 1954.

15. Musselshell and Petroleum Counties in their entireties and those portions of Garfield and Rosebud Counties through which the Musselshell River flows, shall be open to trapping for 1,000 beaver by General Beaver Season Permit only, from November 1, 1953 through April 30, 1954.

16. Wheatland and Golden Valley Counties in their entireties and those portions of Sweet Grass and Stillwater Counties within the drainage of the Musselshell River, shall be open to trapping for 400 beaver by General Beaver Season Permit only, from March 1, 1954 through April 30, 1954.

17. Meagher County in its entirety shall be open to trapping for 300 beaver by General Beaver Season Permit only, from March 1, 1954 through April 30, 1954.

18. Those portions of Lewis and Clark, Broadwater and Jefferson Counties including Prickly Pear Creek drainage and the Missouri River with its entering tributaries from the Broadwater-Gallatin County line to the northern boundary of the Gates of the Mountains Closure, shall be open to trapping for 900 beaver by General Beaver Permit only, from March 1, 1954 through April 30, 1954.

19. Those portions of Gallatin and Park Counties including the Gallatin River and Sixteen-Mile Creek drainages; and those portions of Gallatin, Madison, Jefferson and Broadwater Counties including portions of the Missouri, Madison and Jefferson River drainages near the point of their confluence, shall be open to trapping for 180 beaver by General Season Beaver Permit only, from March 1, 1954 through April 30, 1954.

20. Those portions of Park, Gallatin and Sweet Grass Counties including the Yellowstone River drainage upstream from the town of Greycliff, shall be open to trapping for 675 beaver by General Beaver Season Permit only, from March 1, 1954 through April 30, 1954.

21. Those portions of Stillwater, Sweet Grass and Carbon Counties including the Yellowstone and Stillwater drainages downstream from the town of Greycliff to the Stillwater-Yelowstone County line, except the East Rosebud Creek drainage in Area 22 in Carbon County, shall be open to trapping for 270 beaver by General Beaver Season Permit only, from March 1, 1954 through April 30, 1954.

22. Those portions of Park and Carbon Counties including the Stillwater and Clark Fork River drainages, shall be open to trapping for 270 beaver by General Beaver Season Permit only, from March 1, 1954 through April 30, 1954.

23. Yellowstone County in its entirety, except the Crow Indian Reservation, shall be open to trapping for 550 beaver by General Beaver Season Permit only, from November 1, 1953 through April 30, 1954.

24. Big Horn County in its entirety, except the Crow and Tongue River-Northern Cheyenne Indian Reservations shall be open to trapping for 100 beaver by General Beaver Season Permit only, from November 1, 1953 through April 30, 1954.

25. Powder River County in its entirety; and that portion of Carter County including the Little Missouri River drainage upstream from the town of Albion and the Box Elder Creek drainage upstream from the crossing of the Belltower-Ekalaka road, shall be open to trapping for 475 beaver by General Beaver Season Permit only, from November 1, 1953 through April 30, 1954.

26. Fallon County in its entirety; that portion of Custer County east of the Powder River; and that portion of Carter County including the Little Missouri River drainage downstream from the town of Albion, the Box Elder Creek drainage downstream from the crossing of the Belltower-Ekalaka road and the Little Beaver Creek drainage downstream from the Ekalaka-Powderville road, shall be open to trapping for 350 beaver by General BeBaver Season Permit only, from November 1, 1953 through April 30, 1954.

27. That portion of Gallatin County adjoining Yellowstone National Park and lying within the Madison River drainage, shall be open to trapping for 40 beaver by General Beaver Season Permit only, from March 1, 1954 through April 30, 1954.

28. That portion of Madison County including the Madison River and Willow Creek drainages and that portion of the Ruby River drainage south and east of the Sheridan-Dillon road, shall be open to trapping for 270 beaver by General Beaver Season Permit only, from March 1, 1954 through April 30, 1954.

29. That portion of Beaverhead County including the Beaverhead River drainage and the Big Hole River south from Melrose to where it no longer coincides with the Beaverhead-Madison County line, shall be open to trapping for 1,125 beaver by General Beaver Season Permit only, from March 1, 1954 through April 30, 1954.

30. That portion of Jefferson and Madison Counties including the lower portion of the Boulder River, Pipestone Creek and Beaverhead River drainages, the lower Big Hole River drainage and the Jefferson River downstream from Twin Bridges to Sappington Highway junction, shall be open to trapping for 1,260 beaver by General Beaver Season Permit only, from March 1, 1954 through April 30, 1954.

31. Silver Bow County in its entirety and that portion of Jefferson County within the Boulder River drainage to include Muskrat Creek drainage, shall be open to trapping for 250 beaver by General Beaver Season Permit only, from March 1, 1954 through April 30, 1954.

32. Those portions of Beaverhead and Deer Lodge Counties lying within the Big Hole River drainage downstream to the divide between Trapper and Cherry Creek drainages, shall be open to trapping for 425 beaver by General Beaver Season Permit only, from November 1, 1953 through November 31, 1953, and April 1, 1954 through April 30, 1954.

33. Those portions of Lewis and Clark and Teton Counties including the Willow Creek, Deep Creek, Sun River and Dearborn River drainages, shall be open to trapping for 100 beaver by General Beaver Season Permit only, from March 1, 1954 through April 30, 1954.

34. Those portions of Lewis and Clark, Missoula and Powell Counties including the Clearwater and Swan River drainages; and the Blackfoot River and its tributaries upstream from Clearwater to Ovando and all its tributaries north of the Ovando-Lincoln Pass road, shall be open to trapping for 450 beaver by General Beaver Season Permit only, from March 1, 1954 through April 30, 1954.

35. Those portions of Lewis and Clark and Powell Counties lying south of the Ovando-Lincoln Pass road and including the Blackfoot River drainage; those portions of Powell and Granite Counties including the Clark Fork River drainage and that portion of Deer Lodge County lying east of U. S. Highway 10 South, shall be open to trapping for 400 beaver by General Beaver Season Permit only, from March 1, 1954 through April 30, 1954.

36. Those portions of Granite and Deer Lodge Counties including the Upper Rock Creek, Flint Creek and Warm Springs Creek drainages, shall be open to trapping for 350 beaver by General Beaver Season Permit only, from March 1, 1954 through April 30, 1954.

37. Ravalli County in its entirety except for the Skalkaho Game Preserve, shall be open to trapping for 600 beaver by General Beaver Season Permit only, from March 1, 1954 through April 30, 1954.

38. Those portions of Mineral and Missoula Counties, including the Upper South Fork of Fish Creek, the Bitterroot and Clark Fork River drainages and the Blackfoot River drainage downstream from Clearwater; and that portion of Granite County including the Clark Fork River drainage downstream from Drummond except the Upper Rock Creek drainage in Area 36, shall be open to trapping for 450 beaver by General Beaver Season Permit only, from March 1, 1954 through April 30, 1954.

39. That portion of Mineral County including the St. Regis and Clark Fork Rivers (Note: All tributaries of these rivers are closed to General Beaver Season Trapping), shall be open to trapping for 700 beaver by General Beaver Season Permit only, from March 1, 1954 through April 30, 1954.

40. Sanders County in its entirety except the Flathead Indian Reservation, shall be open for trapping of 225 beaver by General Beaver Season Permit only, from March 1, 1954 through April 30, 1954.

41. That portion of Lake County including the Swan River drainage, shall be open to trapping for 200 beaver by General Beaver Season Permit only, from March 1, 1954 through April 30, 1954.

42. That portion of Flathead, Lewis and Clark, Powell, and Missoula Counties including the South Fork of the Flathead River drainage upstream from Spotted Bear Ranger Station, shall be open to trapping for 100 beaver by General Beaver Season Permit only, from October 15, 1953 through December 15, 1953.

43. That portion of Flathead County including the Middle Fork of the Flathead River drainage upstream from the mouth of Bear Creek, shall be open to trapping for 100 beaver by General Beaver Season Permit only, from October 15, 1953 through December 15, 1953.

44. That portion of Flathead County including the South Fork of the Flathead River drainage downstream from Spotted Bear Ranger Station, shall be open to trapping for 150 beaver by General Beaver Season Permit only, from March 1, 1954 through April 30, 1954.

45. That portion of Flathead County including the Stillwater River, Whitefish River, Little Bitterroot River and Ashley Creek drainages, shall be open to trapping for 400 beaver by General Beaver Season Permit only, from March 1, 1954 through April 30, 1954.

46. That portion of Flathead County including the Thompson River drainage and Hubbart Reservoir and Lake Mary Ronan areas, shall be open to trapping for 50 beaver by General Beaver Season Permit only, from March 1, 1954 through April 30, 1954.

47. That portion of Lincoln County including the Kootenai River drainage downstream from Jennings, except the Wolf Creek drainage, shall be open to trapping for 600 beaver by General Beaver Season Permit only, from March 1, 1954 through April 30, 1954.

48. That portion of Lincoln County including the Wolf Creek and Tobacco River drainages and the Kootenai River drainage upstream from Jennings, shall be open to trapping for 300 beaver by General Beaver Season Permit only, from March 1, 1954 through April 30, 1954.

49. That portion of Flathead County including the North Fork of the Flathead River and its tributaries entering from the west, shall be open to trapping for 150 beaver by General Beaver Season Permit only, from March 1, 1954 through April 30, 1954.

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State of Montana
Department of Fish and Game

APPLICATION FOR GENERAL BEAVER SEASON PERMIT

Type or Print Plainly

Date.....

[ ] 1. NAME ..... [ ] 2. AGE.....

[ ] 3. ADDRESS.....
(Street or Box No.) (City) (State)

[ ] 4. COUNTY..... [ ] 5. OCCUPATION.....

[ ] 6. GENERAL TRAPPER'S LICENSE NO..... (If you do not possess a current General Trapper's License please include $10.00 for same and check space below.)

[ ] 7. ENCLOSED FIND TEN DOLLARS ($10.00) FOR GENERAL TRAPPER'S LICENSE..... (Do not send cash or personal checks. Applicants for a General Trapper's License must give the number of their 1953 Bird and Fish License.) YOUR BIRD AND FISH LICENSE NUMBER ONLY.....
APPLICATION IS HEREBY MADE TO TRAP BEAVER DURING THE GENERAL BEAVER SEASON.

[ ] 8. MY BEAVER TRAPPING AREA SELECTION IS NUMBER.....
(Type or Print Plainly)

I UNDERSTAND THAT THE TOTAL NUMBER OF BEAVER TO BE TAKEN FROM THIS AREA IS PREDETERMINED AND THAT MY LIMIT WILL THUS BE DETERMINED BY THE NUMBER OF APPLICANTS FOR SAID AREA.

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(Signature of Applicant)

SEND TO DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME, HELENA, MONTANA

DO NOT WRITE IN SPACES BELOW

[ ] 9. Number Beaver Allowed:..... [ ]10. Number Beaver Tagged.....

[ ]11. Transport Tags Issued: No.....to....., Inclusive.

[ ]12. General Beaver Season Permit and Report No..... Issued....., 19.....

[ ]13. Application for tags received....., 19.....

[ ]14. Tags Issued: No.....to....., inclusive.

[ ]15. Duplicate GENERAL BEAVER SEASON PERMIT AND REPORT issued....., 19.....

[ ]16. Substitute Transport Tags Issued: No.....to....., Inclusive.

Date:....., 19.....

Reasons and Remarks:

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Information and Instructions for Applying for General Beaver Season Permits

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8. Fees for the General Trapper's License should be in the form of a U. S. Money Order, Cashiers Check, Railway Express M. O. or Bank Draft. Do not send cash or personal checks. THERE IS NO CHARGE FOR GENERAL BEAVER SEASON PERMITS.

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